



## Mrs. Lucy A. (Robilotto) Rondenelli

January 29, 1928 - February 9, 2023

N. UTICA- Mrs. Lucy A. (Robilotto) Rondenelli passed away peacefully in her sleep with the love of her husband and family in her heart on Thursday, February 9, 2023, at the age of 95.

Lucy was born in Utica on January 29, 1928, to the late Dominick and Maria (Pape) Robilotto. She graduated from T.R. Proctor High School in 1946 and went on to Excelsior Business School, where she prepared for jobs that she would hold later in life. On June 6, 1959, Lucy wed James T. “Jim” Rondenelli. Their marriage was a “bond of togetherness,” with Lucy always wanting the best for her Jim and for their family—a marriage of the era.

At one time Lucy was employed at Berger’s Department Store, and later at M & L Electric Company where she was responsible for the daily administrative operations of the office. She then worked as a teacher’s aide for the Utica City School District at the Seymour School for over 15 years until her retirement in 1982.

Lucy’s husband Jim proclaimed her to be the most wonderful woman he ever knew, and remembers fondly her leadership in their lives. She was a supportive and loving mom, who always cared for her children’s needs and wants. As a mother, Lucy was wonderful and beloved, and as a grandma, she gave of herself as only a grandma can! She was equally loving and beloved by the next generation.

Lucy was a talented woman in the kitchen—there was never a complaint about any meal! She was a hostess for many holidays and always exceeded

the expectations of her guests. She loved to travel, feeling that she was able to renew herself on special cruises with Jim. She was proud of her documentation of family memories. She never missed an opportunity to take a photo and was proud of the many she collected and pristinely collected them in family photo albums. Lucy and Jim were members of the North Utica Senior Center, and enjoyed participating together in many activities. They made many friends and wonderful memories.

Lucy knew the Lord and had a personal relationship with Him, and craved time to be at Mass in His presence. She was an active member of St. Peter's Church, served on many committees, and prayed the Rosary regularly for the well-being and needs of others as well as her family and friends.

Lucy is survived by her beloved husband Jim, her son James A. Rondenelli, and her daughter Linda and Paul Kowbel; as well as her grandchildren, Marissa and Zackery Merwin, and Alexa Kowbell; and great-grandchildren, Asher and Lydia Merwin. She is also survived by her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins and her brother-in-law Richard Rondinelli and his late wife Nancy Rondenelli. She was predeceased by her siblings and their spouses, Michael and Virginia Robilotto, Philomena R. Robilotto, Rose and John Lofaro, Josephine Robilotto, Nellie Robilotto, Rocco and Dorothy Robilotto, and Antionette (Robilotto) Dempsey.

The Rondenelli Family would like to extend a special thank you to the 4th Floor at the Pines of Utica, from whom they felt and appreciated the love and astonishing care provided to Lucy. Jim was delighted by their personal attention to his beloved wife. They were wonderful in their communication and generous with their compassion.

The family will commemorate her life at a private time. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend a Mass of Christian burial for Lucy at St. Mark's Church, 440 Keyes Road, at 10:30 AM on Thursday, February 16, 2023. There will be an opportunity to greet the family following the mass. Entombment will follow in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum.



## Cemetery Details

### Calvary Mausoleum

2407 Oneida Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 735-2727

## Previous Events

### MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

FEB **16**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Mark's Church  
440 Keyes Road  
Utica, NY 13502

# Tribute Wall

CB

“ *Jim, I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. What a beautiful obituary, it sure sounds like you were blessed to have so much love in your life. I'm sorry that I am not able to attend the service on Thursday but you and your family are in my prayers. Carol Buczek*

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**Carol Buczek** - February 13, 2023 at 09:18 PM

PA

“ *Sincerely sorry for your loss. Best prayers and wishes during this difficult time. May happy memories bring you comfort and peace. Frank Papale and Margaret Voce Papale*



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**Papale** - February 12, 2023 at 11:08 AM

KA

“ *Jim & Family...*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you. I often remember our cruises many years ago when Lucy would watch over Michael in his stroller while I took care of things. Many memories I will never forget. My love to you all.*

*Karen - Karen Travel*

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**Karen** - February 12, 2023 at 10:18 AM

MH

“ I first met Lucy at my soon to be sister-in-law Linda’s bridal shower. This was around 33 years ago. After the shower, my Mom and I were invited to her house. I had worn high heels all day and my feet were complaining. Lucy gave me a pair of slippers she made and my poor feet felt so much better. Our families were together for many Christmas Eve dinners. Lucy always brought her delicious biscotti. I will always remember her with love, She was a dynamo in a small package. I was blessed to know her. Rest In Peace dear lady.

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**Micki Kowbel Horsford** - February 12, 2023 at 01:28 AM

CL

Beautiful fond memories of long ago family gatherings.. So sorry for your loss .. prayers for the whole family 💕🙏💕

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**Christine (Robilotto) Lindsey** - February 12, 2023 at 08:13 AM

DR

Jim, I'm very sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved wife. I remember the stories you told of the fun that the two of you had on your cruises. May God bless you both, and welcome her home.

*David Ryan (M&L Electric)*

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**David Ryan** - February 13, 2023 at 04:42 PM